had done.

It took more time to dig the third body from the mass of charred wood and from

from the mass of charred wood and from supports of the stairs.

Thus amid scenes that racked the soul the bodies were mined from the débris.

At 9 o'clock to-night the one hundred and sixty-third corpse was taken out.

Fully forty bodies were still visible. Many others it is feared are among the ashes, so nearly consumed that their num-

any others it is feared are among the hes, so nearly consumed that their num-

ber will never be known. Not more than twenty-five of all of the bodies recovered

In places the ashes and débris were more

than two feet deep. Scores of hodies were entirely buried and had to be dug out with pick and shovel. First all of the bodies

It was here also that the flames wrought the most havoc. Every body caught in the rush of flames from the oil soaked stage and orchestra pit to the narrow stairway had been stripped of clothing. Jewelry, watches, coins, keys and other metal articles lay beside what were in most cases skeletons, with even the skulls and arms and legs of many of them missing. Around the windows which led to the fire

Around the windows which led to the fire escape dozens of bodies were huddled together. One woman lay with her flesh robbed arm about the diminutive body of

Firemen to Inspect Newark Picture Shows.

Acting Chief William C. Astley of the

Newark Fire Department yesterday issued

back their findings and if necessary action

will be taken against the proprietors. The chief said he was utterly opposed to such

FORAKER MEN AFTER BURTON

Senator's Friends Move to Eliminate Cleve-

land Congressman From Situation.

paign to end the Congressman's tenure,

to a Congressional convention February 15

this call, and that would give the Foraker

by Secretary of State Carmi Thompson to-day asking that the county election board delay action until January 21 To this delay all parties agreed.

In the evening Walter Brown, "boss" of Lucas county and pro-Taft chairman of the State Republican committee, to which Secretary Thompson intimated he might refer the question of the county committee's legality, sought to patch a

committee's legality, sought to patch a

permanent peace, but with little success.
CLEVELAND, Jan. 14.—Secretary Taft's
Presidential candidacy was indorsed to-day

by two Ohio Congressional district committees—in Steubenville by the Sixteent

committee and in Columbus by the Eighth

In Mansfield hundreds of signatures were obtained to a petition calling a mass

convention to name State convention dele

gate candidates, the action of county com-

The Carroll county committee called primaries for State convention delegates under the Taft plan for Feruary 11. Similar

action was taken by the Ashland and Fayette county committees. In Marion,

Fayette county committees. In Marion, a Foraker stronghold, there were only two

votes against issuing a Taft call and adopting a Taft indorsement.

HUGHES CLUB IN TENNESSEE.

Movement to Boost the Governor's Presi-

dential Boom in the South.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 14.-Pursuant

to a signed call a Hughes club was organ-

ized here to-night. The attendance was not

large on account of bad weather, but an

State Senator V. A. Huffaker was elected

president, John Ball Brownlow, formerly

of the Post Office Department at Washing-ton, vice-president, and Monroe Johnson of the Knoxville County Court secretary. Resolutions indorwing the President and national Administration were adopted. They also stated that Charles Evans Hughes

has proved his availability by being elected Governor of the Empire State when the en-tire remainder of the Republican ticket

A committee was named to organize East Tennessee and it was decided to open headquarters at once. Many of the members of the club are close friends of Congressman W. W. Hale.

HUGHES INDORSED IN BUFFALO.

Eric County Committee Recommends Dele-

gates Favorable to His Nomination.

BUFFALO, Jan. 14.-At the annual meet-

ing of the Republican county committee,

held here at noon to-day, resolutions were

adopted as follows:

"We commend and indorse the administration of Charles E. Hughes, Governor of the State of New York. We believe that

his atrong personality and clear vision upon questions of public policy are recog-nized by the people of the Commonwealth.

We believe that his policy of control of pub-

lic utilities is a wise one and meets with the approval of the citizens of the State of

party who will be favorable to his nomina-

enrollment of 546 was secured.

went down in defeat.

Taft slate being resented.

tee members, making themselves the

election board is expected to rec

maries February 11 to select

are recognizable.

Thomas C. Platt, Esq.: DEAR SIE: We have been retained by a young lady to institute legal proceedings st you in a cause of action, with the purticulars of which you are thoroughly Unless before to-morrow Wednesday, noon, we have a conference you, or your attorney, regarding an nicable adjustment of our client's cause of tion we shall immediately bring the matter to the attention of the courts. Yours, &c., HOWB & HUMMRL

Nicoll says that he was instructed by Sepator Platt to effect an amicable settlent, "provided unqualified proof could obtained from the plaintiff herself of he falseness of her charges." So he wrote immel that Mae Wood had no claim, and had only been the recipient of kindness from senator Platt, but that rather than have the matter aired in court the Senator would consent to a \$2,500 settlement. Hummel had previously sent word to Nicoll that is thought \$50,000 would be a fair figure. Such a price Nicoll denounced as ridiculous, and he stated further that as his fees would probably in the event of any court prorobably in the event of any court proeedings amount to at least \$2,500 he was villing to save the Senator that sum by If that was not acceptable

Hummel and Wood could go ahead and sue.
Further negotiations the next day in
the presence of Frank Platt resulted in
the payment of \$10,000 to Hummel and the
turning over of a duly executed release
of all claims by Miss Wood, with a number papers, pictures, letters, telegrams, including a written promise by Miss and that she would never bother the Wood that she would never bother the Senator again. Mr. Nicoll denies absolutely that he ever told O'Flaherty that he would have paid \$50,000 in settlement, but confirms the rest of O'Flaherty's affidavit.

Frank H. Platt, son of the Senator, and a Frank H. Platt, son of the Senator, and a

nber of O'Brien, Boardman, Platt & ning, the Senator's present counsel, in affidavit says that J. Martin Miller told him that the only way to stop publication of Mae Wood's letters was to buy them from her. So he saw Hummel, who was Mae Wood's counsel, and with Nicoll effeoted the \$10,000 settlement. All the letters and pictures were subsequently torn up by Mr. Platt, but he still retains the release and some of the documents, which he is willing to file with the County Clerk if the Court so decides. Justice Newburger took the papers and served decision. This is a copy of the

reserved decision. \$10,000 receipt: City and County of New York, 88:

Mae C. Wood, being duly sworn, says I am over the age of 21 years and am the executed and delivered to Thomas C. Platt of the city of New York a general release, in consideration of the sum of ten thousand received by me. I have fully and carefully read the said release and know the contents and purport thereof and fully realize by the execution of the same that I have no right, claim or demand of any kind or description against the said Thomas C. Platt.

I further say that I have not, nor have I ever had, any claim, demand or cause of action against the said Thomas C. Platt arising out of any matter whatsoever, and I solemnly aver that I have never had any illicit relations with the said Thomas C. Platt nor have I ever

During the period of my acquaintance with the said Thomas C. Platt I received from him a large number of letters, writings and telegrams, all of which I have delivered to counsel, Abraham H. Hummel of New York city, to be by him delivered to the said Thomas C. Platt. I aver that I have no other writings, letters of telegrams of any kind or description in my possession from the said Thomas C. Platt, nor under my control. ner are there any copies, photographic, carbon or otherwise, in existence of any writings or telegrams heretofore received by me from him other than those which I have given Mr. Hummel; nor have I ever disposed of any such letters, writings telegrams, or of any copy or copies of the

same or any of them. I do further say that should I hereafter discover any other letters, writings or telegrams received by me from the said Thomas C. Platt, I will immediately deliver the same to my said counsel, to be at once delivered to the said Thomas C. Platt.

the said Thomas C. Platt, that L will not hereafter institute, commence or maintain any action or proceeding against him, of any nor in any wise communicate with him, nor any member of his family, nor his relatives or acquaintances, and that I will not in any manner harass, aunoy or molest the said Thomas C. Platt, nor any member of his family, relatives or acquaintances. MAE C. WOOD.

Sworn to before me this 14th day of Ocober JOSEPH F. Moss. Notary Public.

Mr. Platt in his affidavit compares the niegations of Miss Wood in her present affidavit with those she made, in an affidavit a suit brought by her in Nebraska That suit was brought to recover \$150,000 damages from Senator Platt, the United States Express Company, William Loeb, secretary of President Roosevelt: J. Martin Miller and others on a general charge that they had conspired to drug her on October 12, 1903, in New York city and rob her of the papers from which she and rob her of the papers from which sh "The Love Letters of a Boss."
Mr. Platt shows that her allegations

now as to the supposed deal between Miller, Platt, Hummel and Nicoll are quite at variance with her statements in that suit which was dismissed for want of prosecu-tion. In the Nebraska suit she declared that Platt, Loeb and Miller had conspired to stral her papers and that they threatened her with violence and forced her to give the documents up.

BRACKETT-ON HUGHES LEAGUE Says It Means Practical Cooperation

Securing Hughes Delegates. SABATOGA, N. Y., Jan. 14.-Ex-State enator Edgar T. Brackett, chairman of the executive committee of the New York State Hughes League, was asked to-night regarding the plans of the league. He

"I have had no opportunity yet to consult with the other officers of the league, but I take it that the object of the organization is to give an opportunity to those who believe in the wisdom of nominating Gov. Hughes for the Presidency, to touch elbows

and to cooperate in a practical way to securing delegates in his interest.

"Personally I do not care whether the delegates from this State are instructed for Gov. Hughes or not. I would rather have one delegate uninstructed but with his heart in his work than to have a score but looking to escape at

first opportunity. do think therefore that the personnel of the delegation of the national convention is of consequence, and I hope that the districts where the Governor's friends control will see to it that men are sent who are known to be sincere in their support, who are not to be tempted by the lust of office, and who will well and truly represent the constituents sending them.

JAS. S. WHIPPLE FOR HUGHES. And Says Cattaraugus and Chautanoua

Delegates Also Will Be for the Governor. ALBANY, Jan. 14.-James S. Whipple State Forest, Fish and Game Commissioner, is the latest to announce himself for Gov. Hughes for the Presidential nomination. He made a brief statement to-night declaring that while he was not joining Hughes leagues he was for the Governor

and hoped to see him nominated.

Furthermore Mr. Whipple declared that
he believed the delegates from his Condistrot, comprising Cattaraugus and . Hughes has been asked to remove Whipple from office by a number of NOW READY

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WANT A LINEUP ON HUGHES

BOOMERS SAY THEY'LL MAKE THE COUNTY COMMITTEE VOTE

Even if They Do Get Swamped in the Vote -Governor Continues to Say Nothing -A Boom Meeting to Be Held at the

Republican Club in this City To-night

Chairman Parsons of the Republican county committee and the leaders who are supporting him in his efforts to bring about an amicable agreement to shelve the Hughes resolution for another month have been informed by Senator Alfred R. Page and Harry W. Mack, the leader of the Fifteenth district and the introducer of the Hughes resolution at the December meeting, that when the resolution presented again to-morrow night a division will be insisted upon. It is expected that Mr. Parsons or one of his leaders speaking for him will suggest the advisability of laying the resolution over until the February meeting, when the call for the spring primaries will be issued, on the plea that the lapse of another month will enable the committee to understand better whether public sentiment would favor the committee coming out for an instructed delegation for Hughes.

To this proposal Mr. Page and the other Hughes boomers in the committee say they will not agree, and then the fight will be on. Mr. Parsons has easily controlled so far a majority of the votes in the

Senator Page has called a conference of the Hughes becomers for to-night. The meeting is to take place in the Republican Club and will be attended by the club's committee of twenty-five, which was formed to assist of twenty-five, which was formed to assist in bringing about the nomination of Gov. Hughes. That committee last night sent a comunication to every member of the Republican county committee urging them o vote for the passage of the Hughes reso-

Mr. Hughes's boomers have been hoping that he would give some public intimation that their efforts had his approval. Mr. Mack went to Albany yesterday to see the Governor, but from all that could be learned from Mr. Mack after his interview with Mr. Hughes the Governor maintained his previous extitude. rious attitude.

"I am not authorized to say anything for the Governor," said Mr. Mack, "but the Hughes resolutions will be pressed at the meeting of the Republican county com-mittee on Thursday night, and while I am not prepared to say what will be its fate I know that I shall have behind me the unanimous support of the delgates from the Fifteenth district."

The Hughes State League opened its headquarters yesterday at Forty-second street and Fifth avenue. The executive committee will meet on Saturday afternoon.

ALBANY, Jan 14.—The securing of ExSenator Brackett as president of the new
league is regarded by the anti-Hughes
people to be the strongest move made so far. nator Brackett's known ability as a fighter and his fearlessness are good assets for the league it is admitted. But in Albany there isn't so much anxiety shown over the Hughes movement as might be expected. The list of committeemen doesn't strike terror to the breasts of the Republican leaders who are supporting Taft. The only names on the list that created surprise were those of Cornelius V. Collins of Troy and George W. Aldridge. Mr. Col-lins is the State Superintendent of Prisons his term is about to expire. mitteemen from Albany, John A. Sleicher and John F. Montignani, have always been known as "antis." Mr. Aldridge is looked upon as merely playing safe. There is a upon as merely playing safe. There is a big Hughes sentiment in Rochester, and Mr. Aldridge is afraid of it, so he is permitting the Governor to believe that Senator Armstrong is bringing Aldridge into line. "If one should go down the list of the

committeemen," said one Republican leader to-day, "he would find that almost everybody on it has an ulterior motive in being known as a Hughes man. There are men on the committee who haven't any use at all for Hughes, but they are playing a game and believe they can accoming a game and believe they can accomplish more by being looked upon as Hughes boomers. Some people who have been members of the down and out club for some time are taking this means to bring themselves into the limelight again."

ALL MUM ON HUGHES. No Mention of Him at the Meeting of the Republican Committee in Brooklyn. The talk about a probable clash between the friends and opponents of Gov. Hughes

the meeting of the Republican general committee in Brooklyn last night turned out to be delusive. Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff of the State committee and most of the two hundred odd delegates were on hand, ready for any emergency which might arise, but no clash of any kind occurred to disturb the apparent serenity in the Kings county organization and the proceedings did not last more than ten minutes. It was surmised until the last momen

that a resolution eulogistic of the adminis-tration of Gov. Hughes and indorsing him for the Presidential nomination, might be sprung by one of his admirers, but none was presented nor did his name come up

in any form. It was even supposed that such a resolution might be offered by one of the Gover-nor's foes in committee so that Mr. Woodruff might have an opportunity to give expression to his views on the subject and then have the resolutions shelved by a decisive vote. Senator Travis, who is regarded as one of Gov. Hughes's stanchest suporters, came down from Albany to attend the meeting and discourage any attempt at this time to test the Hughes strength in the committee. It was mainly was said, through his influence tughes resolution was not offered. ch a resolution would have been tabled surn a resolution would have been tabled by an overwhelming vote was a foregone conclusion, a careful canvass of the 212 delegates made a few days ago showing that not more than a dozen would have

In the absence of Charles H. Kelley, the nairman of the committee, Louis A. ounds, the vice-chairman, presided. The calling of the roll and the reading of the ninutes of the previous meeting we with, and no reports being forthcoming from the various committees new business was called for. Mr. Woodruff at once arose and offered two resolutions, which were unanimously adopted One of these indorsed the bill introduced in the Legislature exempting bonds issued for the construction of subways from the provision of law restricting the debt limit of the municipalities to 10 per cent. of their assessed valuation. The other indorsed the bill amending the Elsberg rapid transit law by increasing the length of time that leases can be made to a period of fifty years

Capt. Hubert S. Wynkoop Promoted. Gen. John G. Eddy, commander of the Second Brigade in Brooklyn, has completed his staff by the appointment of Capt Hubert S. Wynkoop as commissary. Mr. Wynkoop had been commissary of the Wynkoop had been commissary of the Twenty-third Regiment for some time. Hereafter Gen. Eddy and his staff will have their headquarters in the Twenty-third Regiment armory in Bedford avenue. THEATRE DEAD LIST OVER 200

VICTIMS OF BOYERTOWN FIRE PANIC MAY REACH 230.

Searchers, When Halted by Darkness, Had Taken Out 167 Bodies, and Forty More Were in Sight-Little Girl's Curlesity Held Responsible for Disaster.

BOYERTOWN, Pa., Jan. 14 .- Out of the ruins of the Rhodes Opera House 187 bodies, mostly of women and children, had been taken to-night when darkness fell.

Then, with at least forty more bodies in sight and perhaps more mixed in the débris, the search stopped for the night. At least 200 persons perished by fire, by

rampling and by suffocation in the awful tragedy of last night. The list may reach 230. The cause has been clearly determined. The curiosity of one child started the panic that sent all those fear maddened persons into eternity. Four hundred and twenty-

five men, women and children were in the audience, which had gathered for an entertainment by the St. John's Lutheran Sunday school. Mrs. H. E. Monroe, who was directing the amateurs, had combined moving picture show with the exhibition. Suddenly there was a sharp hiss from illfitting valve of the gas tank of the picture machine. Women and men hensively turned in their seats and

gazed at the sputtering machine in the rear. Conversation in the audience became so loud that it was heard behind the scenes. One little girl on the stage innocently lifted the muslin screen from the bottom to look into the auditorium. The wooden bar and weight at the bottom of the curtain brushed against two oil lamps and toppled them over. In a moment blazing oil spread about the stage and the orchestra pit, as the lamps rolled into the first row of the orchestra, setting the clothing of two children on fire. At the same time the flimsy curtain was

With a sheet of flame swinging at them from over the footlights, futile efforts to smother the fire were made by the actors and the stage hands, and the audience, from row to row, jumped to their feet. Then the curtain, burned from its fastenings. fell into the oil soaked orchestra pit. At this two-thirds of the audience ran for the one steep stairway leading to the street.

The flames leaped over the first row of orchestra chairs, and the gowns of many women were ignited. There was a chorus of shrieks, the flames became brighter, and the panic was on.

Husbands forgot their wives, brothers their sisters and friends their lifelong comrades. In a moment there was utter confusion. The first comers began to drop on the stairs. Those behind began to edge back but were blocked by those behind. 'Make way!" was the shout, but before semblance of order could be got a cloud of flame and smoke sped over the heads and shoulders of the throng. A dozen dead and twice that number dying were left in the wake of that first burst of fire.

It was then that the frenzy of fear seized the crowd. Men fought women to escape. Women felled men to the floor with collapsible chairs. Dozens from the top of the stairway leaped feet first upon the scores who were fighting below to get to the street

The same conditions prevailed at the smaller exit at the rear of the stage and at the windows opening to the one fire escape In the struggle for life the stronger ones won. To nearly every family in Boyertown and in the country about death has come. Almost as soon as the first shriek sounded the people of Boyertown rushed to the rescue, but they could do nothing. for in fifteen minutes the whole building was a gigantic funeral pyre.

The night that followed was hideous. but there are some heroic deeds to record. There is the feat of Pastor Weber who saved half a dozen children. There is the act of Charles Mayer, who rescued his eldest daughter, went back into the inferno for his youngest and lost his life. There are many others.

Coroner Strausser declared to-night that he would begin to-morrow a rigid inquiry. He intimated that he would arrest and hold for the inquest one or two persons whose alleged carelessness with the picture machine and the curtain brought on the disaster. "I will not name the persons," said the Coroner. To-night he made this statement:

"I first will clear up the identification of the 167 bodies taken from the ruins. Then I will empanel a Coroner's jury. The inquest into the death of the victims will be as rigid as it will be complete. If any one has been guilty of neglect I think it will be proved by the witnesses we will have to testify. At this time it would not be proper for me to say that there was one person who, I believe, had a large share in causing the scores of innocent peorile to meet such sudden and tragic death.'

No negligence or violation of the building laws in the erection of or the management of the theatre has been intimated. The building was erected to meet the State laws and passed the building inspection satisfactorily a year or so ago.

Firemen were still playing on the ruins of the opera house when daybreak came to-day. Two hundred firemen from Pottstown and Reading, reinforced by volunteers. had struggled with the fire for hours.

As daybreak grew into full light it showed the limbs and bodies of men, women and children protruding from the débris. In the throng that stood about the ruins women who saw or thought they saw some piece of the garment of a friend or relative wept and wailed. This chorus increased in volume and men who had lost wives and children, striving hard to be brave, although their families at one stroke had been taken from them, joined in it.

Through these wailing crowds came a detail of trim troopers of the State Constabulary sent from Reading. They soon roped off the streets around the building. so as to form a narrow lane to a warehous opposite that was to be used as a temporary morgue. "They're going to dig the bodies out'" came the cry as the crowd surged. For a quarter of an hour the constabulary, touched by the sufferings of the crowd, tried by gentle means to urge

them back. Then they had to use force Messengers began to file in with dozens of undertakers' stretchers. Another relay brought blankets and rugs to cover the unrecognizable bodies as they were carried

The firemen, begrimed and sick from their harrowing all night struggles, were relieved. The guard of the constabulary and the local police about the hall was drawn more closely. Then the first work of removing the bodies began. It was at 10 o'clock when the first body was picked from the débris, wrapped in a rug and laid on a stretcher. The wooden stairways which had burned away had been replaced by a thirty foot firsman's ladder. With ropes two men lowered the body on the stretcher to the entry. A dozen hands received it Four men started to carry it across the street. men started to carry it across the street to the morgue. As the men slowly made their way an edge of the blanket was lifted by the wind, a tattered shred of checked skirt was revealed. At sight of it two

women, one Mrs. Walter Stauffer, the other Mrs. Hartman, dashed under the ropes, elucied the troopers and ran to the stretcher, "Oh, God, it is my Lulu!" walled one, a gray haired woman, her face yet with tears.

RESTORING THE REPUBLIC.

gray haired woman, her face wet with tears.

"No, it's Ethel," cried the other. The two mothers were led behind the ropes and told that not until to-morrow could they view the body that each though." was that of her daughter.

Ten minutes later the second body, that of a man, with every possible identification mark trampled out by hundreds of feet and by the flame and smoke, was lowered, its trip to the morgue excited similar scenes. Several persons thinking they could identify the body started toward it as the two women had done.

It took more time to dig the third body stage Sent to Congress With Cordial Praise for Taft and Magoon-Presidential Election in December-All in the Island Pleased at Programme

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 .- The President sent to-day to Congress the following message transmitting the report of Charles E. Magoon, Provisional Governor of the Island of "I enclose the report of Provisional

Governor Magoon on the conditions in Cuba, together with the correspondence between Secretary Taft and myself on the subject. I cannot too heartily commend the action of the Provisional Governor and his civil associates and of the army in all its parts in connection with this Cuban matter

"I am glad to be able to say that we can now definitely announce that one year hence by or before February 1, 1909, we shall have turned over the island to the President pick and shovel. First all of the bodies around the stairway were removed. It was there that sixty or seventy met death. Some of the arms of the victims were locked around each other's waists as though they had made a last futile stand against the struggling mob behind that eventually crushed them to the floor and trampled upon them until every bone was broken. It was here also that the flames wrought the most havoe. Every body caught in and Congress to be elected next Decembe by the people of Cuba. Prosperity, peace and happiness have attended the exercise of our government in Cuba. Our word to turn over the island to its own people will be scrupulously regarded and through their own President and Congress they will administer the government of the island a year hence.

President Roosevelt wrote to-day etter to Secretary Taft in which he fixed February 1, 1909, as the date upon which the present provisional government will be ended. His letter follows:

"My Dear Mr. Secretary: "I approve the report of Gov. Magoon and your letter thereon, and they will be transmitted to Congress together with a copy of this letter. I direct that the installation of the President and Congress of Cuba to be elected next December and the turning over of the island to them take place not later than February 1, 1909. If it can be turned over earlier I shall be glad, but under no circumstances and for no reason will the date be later than Feb-Sincerely yours,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT." SATISFACTION IN HAVANA.

together. One woman lay with her flesh robbed arm about the diminutive body of a baby. Clinging to the other arm was another child apparently about 8 years old. Three figures with a little flesh clinging to the legs, stood janumed in one window. Two of the trio had grasped the window casing. How well these three had blocked that exit was evident by six burned bodies huddled close behind them. Their very position seemed to cry out against the ones who had blocked their way.

Women's bodies were found in the attitude of prayer, skeleton hands clasped over what had been their faces. The limbs of these could not be changed from the position in which death had found them and, still in the attitude of prayer, they were carried to the warehouse morgue.

Scores of bodies were found in the débris within half a dozen feet of the stage and HAVANA, Jan. 14.-President Roosevelt's letter to Secretary of War Taft, directing the reestablishment of the Cuban republic within half a dozen feet of the stage and the orchestra pit. In this space, 6 by 25 feet, bodies piled four feet deep were un-earthed. It was here, survivors of the thrilling fight for life declare unanimously, on February 1, 1909, was made public at the palace this afternoon, too late for the evening newspapers to comment on it The news gained considerable currency, that the most horrible struggle to escape however, and it excited tremendous interes took place. Dozens of persons, including many children, had fought their way from It reached the Advisory Commission, which consists of members of all the parties at their seats to short flights of stairs at each end of the stage which led to a rear exit. But their buttle for life ended there. Crushed from behind and jammed back by those in front, they died only a dozen feet from safety. about 4 o'clock and created a favorable

It will take a couple of days to ascertain the real effect of the information, but it is likely that the Cubans, particularly the Liberal politicians, will be satisfied. A definite programme as such will please all the elements of the population, although foreign business interests will doubtless regard the American evacuation dubiously Members of the Provisional Government

orders to his four battalion chiefs to make an inspection of the moving picture thea-tres in that city. The investigation was ordered as a result of the disaster at Boyer-town, Pa. The battalion chiefs will report say it is possible to carry out President Roosevelt's wishes, but it will be necessary to curtail or omit the hundred day period between the popular election for President and the meeting of the electoral college With a definite objective in view the administrators will be stimulated to rush their work, as they will feel that the end of a difficult and disagreeable duty is finally sight.

CLEVELAND Jan 14 Declaring they To give effect to President Roosevelt's vill do to Congressman Burton what the plans will involve a tremendous task, there Taft forces have proposed in the slogan being a vast amount of work undone. Mr. eliminate Foraker," lieutenants of the osevelt's reason for outlining a definite Senior Ohio Senator to-day began a camplan is known to be his wish to close the Cuban episode during his ownA dministralong undisturbed even by serious option. He therefore altered the plan outposition of Democrats.

The members of the county committee lined by Mr. Taft, in which he suggested the reestablishment of the republic in March named by the Foraker mass convention of last Saturday to-day filed a call for pricounted by Mr. Roosevelt's letter, naturally drew forth much comment, which was generally favorable to its passive acceptmen the opportunity to bar Burton fol-lowers from the convention and nominate a straightout Foraker candidate and name ance. Some of the newspapers showed enthusiasm and confidence. The Liberals, who are ready for an immediate election two national convention delegates.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 14.—Temporary peace in the struggle of Taft and Foraker forces for control of the party machinery in Cuyahoga county was brought about by Secretary of State Carmi Thompson the county against that the county against the cou were generally well pleased with it.

The Discusion save it is now time for the Conservatives to speedily and vigorously organize. Gen. Menocal, who has been recently mentioned for the Presidency, says in an open letter that he is not a candi date, but intimates that he would accept if the nomination were offered to him.

PERTURBATIONS IN CUBA. Students in Pharmacy Coming Here o Com-

plain-Cigars and Fumigation. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

HAVANA, Jan. 14.—Señor de Cordoba leader of the class of pharmacy students at the Havana University, and Rafael Conte, editor of the newspaper Cuba, are going to Washington to ask President Roosevelt to revoke Gov. Magoon's recent decree making the examinations in pharmacy free to any one. If Mr. Roosevelt declines, they threaten that they will appeal to Senator Tillman There was a considerable demonstration by the students when the two delegates sailed to-day.

Between 4,000 and 5,000 cigarmakers are now striking Only seven independent factories are working. Both sides remain

Santiago merchants are protesting against the intention of the sanitary authorities to fumigate the business section of that city by the wholesale. They claim that the fumigation will ruin thousands of dollars worth of goods. The sanitary authorities suspect yellow fever Gov. Magoon has directed that the work proceed.

TRANSVAAL RACE CRISIS. 35 Indians and 15 Chinamen Arrested -Some Prominent Merchants.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 14.—The racial crisi was rendered more acute to-day by the arrest of thirty-five more Indians, including the chairman and the treasurer of the British-Indian Association and chairman and secretary of the Islamic Society, who are prominent merchants.

Fifteen Chinamen were also arrested, including the principal members of the committee of the Chinese Association.

The chairman of the Chinese Association has been sentenced to two months imprisonment for not complying with an official notice to quit the country. Two Indians have been condemned to similar punishment for the same offence.

Thirty-two Indians have been ordered to leave within two weeks, despite the fact that they have resided in the colony for many years and own valuable businesses.

John McGrath Gets \$19,000 for Loss of Leg. A jury in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn

yesterday awarded John McGrath a ver-New York.

"We believe that the sentiment in this community is favorable to his nomination to the Presidency, and we recommend that delegates be chosen to attend the next national convention of the Republican the conductor and had his left leg so badly crushed by the wheels that it had to be dict for \$19,000 in his suit against the Nassau crushed by the wheels that it

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JAPANESE MINISTERS RESIGN

IMMIGRATION ISSUE SAID TO HAVE WEAKENED CABINET.

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Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Torto, Jan. 14 .- Marquis Saionji, the Prime Minister, tendered his resignation to the Emperor to-day. On receipt of it the Emperor sent for Baron Katsura, former Premier, and gave him an audience. Afterward he summoned Prince Ito to the palace Later Salonji presented himself, as is usual in such cases, to furnish an explanation of his resignation. The resignation, however, was not accepted, the Emperor commanding Saionji to hold over, but he has accepted the resignations of I. Yamagata, Minister of Communications, and Baron Sakatani, Minister of Finance.

K. Hara, Minister of Home Affairs, and M. Matanda, Minister of Justice, will also hold over provisionally. It is believed that this is a measure of expediency pending the existence of the present Diet. Apparently Katsura will return to office, repre

senting a moderate financial policy. Washington, Jan. 14. The State Department received a despatch from Japan | thirty skaters were immersed. to-day saying that Yoshiro Sakatani, Minister of Finance, and Isaburo Yamagata, Minister of Communications, have resigned number of deaths to two. from the Cabinet and that the resignation Some youths were sliding on a forbidden explanation of the resignations was given. but they are understood to be due to a disagreement over the budget.

Mr. Mivaka, the Councillor and Charge said to-night that he had received no information from his Government in regard

to the Cabinet changes. The present Ministry in Japan has been appopular for some time and recent events both as regards internal and foreign affairs have not been handled in such a way as to improve the feeling of the Japanese people. Two days ago it was announced from Tokio that a miscalculation of \$20,000,-000 in the Japanese budget had been discovered and this fact further excited popu-

lar distrust of the Ministry. The policy of the Ministry of reducing the military, naval and internal expenses of the Government has been an unpopular one also. At a meeting of the Elder Statesmen, held on December 17, it was decided that there should be a reduction in the military and naval expenses of the empire for the next six years by which the Government would save the sum of about \$200,000,000.

Despatches from Tokio have indicated that there was a disagreement among the members of the Ministry because of the proposed reductions in the appropriations for railroad construction. The resignation of the Minister of Communications tends to strengthen these reports.

The efforts of the Ministry toward reduc-

ing Japanese immigration into the Pacific Coast States by arranging new passport regulations and limiting the number of passports issued annually to Japanese subjects to come to Hawaii have added to the unpopularity of the present Ministry.

The Japanese Government has expressed willingness to limit the number of Japanes laborers coming to Hawaii, whence many of them come to the United States surreptitiously, but the people of Japan have not been in entire sympathy with the ministerial moves in this direction, and it is thought here that no small part of the embarrassment of the present Ministry is traceable to the present negotiations with Washington

An election is approaching in Japan and the opposition newspapers have been endeavoring to create a strong opposition to the Ministry. One of their principal objects

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of attack has been the negotiations with the United States limiting the immigration of Japanese laborers into the Pacific Coast KINGSTON EARTHQUAKE DAY.

Little Rebuilding Bone in a Year, Though

\$1,000,000 Surplus Was Spent Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 14.-To-day was the anniversary of the earthquake which on the afternoon of January 14, 1807, aimost completely destroyed the city of Kingston and killed about 1,000 persons, injuring as many more. Services were held in the

churches and practically all the residents of the city attended them The session of the Legislature opened to-day. Gov. Sir Sydney Oliver announced

that the surplus, amounting to \$1,000,000, had been spent in reconstructive works and in improving the roads. Only fifteen stores have been rebuilt in Kingston since the earthquake, but many

more are expected to be put up in a short

time. A bank and a big block of public

buildings will also be built soon. TWO PARIS SKATERS DROWNED. Ice Breaks on Lake in Bois de Boulogne

and Crowd Gets Ducked. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Paris, Jan. 14.-The ice on the lake in the Bois de Boulogne broke to-day and

The first reports of the accident caused a sensation. Later details reduced the

of Marquis Saionji, the Prime Minister, part of the lake, where an open space is had been declined by the Emperor. No kept for water fowl and two of them fell into the water. Their cries brought a crowd of skaters and others to the spot.

The weight broke the ice and the crowd were plunged into the lake, which at this d'Affaires of the Embassy in this city. point is from 41/2 to 61/2 feet deep. Many of those who were immersed were taken to the hospital suffering from shock.

> WOMAN DOOMED TO GUILLOTINE Appeal of Vere St. Leger Goold and Wife for Monte Carlo Murder Dismissed.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. MONTE CARLO, Jan, 14.- The appeal of Vere St. Leger Goold and his wife for revision of the sentences passed upon them on December 4 for the murder of Emma Levin has been dismissed.

Goold was sentenced to penal servitude for life and his wife to death, the trial court being of the opinion that Goold was instirated to his share in the crime by his wife. hould the sentence be carried out in Mrs Goold's case she will be put to death by

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Burial service at St. John's Church, Stamford day, January 15, at 3:15 P. M. Carriages in waiting on arrival of 3 o'clock train

of Hafford B. Fuller and mother of the late Fraser C. Fuller, M. D. Services at her late residence, 3800 on Thursday evening, January 16, at 8 o'clock

HOLDEN .- Suddenly, at his home, January 18 James Cotton Holden, in the 84th year of his Funeral services at his late residence, Madiso

N. J., Thursday, the 16th instant, at 3:15 P. M. Carriages will await arrival of train leaving New York at 2 o'clock (23d st. 1:45) via D., 1 KIMBALL, -Entered into rest at his residence, 24 West 74th st., on Tuesday evening, January 14 1908, Samuel Fisher Kimball, beloved husband

of Emma C. Kimball. tice of funeral hereafter. AWRENCE .- In New York city, at her dence, on Saturday, January 11, 1908, Char lotte Beers, widow of Albert Gallatin Law

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morning, January 17, at 11 o'clock, Intermedin Lakeview Cemetery, Cleveland, Ohio, Satu